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SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" போன வருஷத்திற்கு அப்பால் ஏற்படுத்திய திட்டம் கைவிடப்பட்டதா ?"

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I have already answered with reference to a previous question that the Employees' State Insurance Scheme is being taken up and it will be inaugurated in Coimbatore."

Deputation abroad of social workers.

* 516 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of social workers selected in the State for training in village level social work to be sent to Tokyo and other foreign places;

(*b*) the number of women social welfare workers among them; and

(*c*) what State-aid will be given to the social workers apart from the aid received from the Central Government?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) One. Two were actually selected, but one did not appear for the interview at Delhi.

" (*b*) One.

" (*c*) The Ford Foundation will bear the entire non-recurring expenditure connected with the training of the instructor and her salaries as Chief Instructor during the training period. The State Government will bear one-half and two-thirds of recurring expenditure in the second and third years of the schemes.

On completion of training she will be employed as Chief Instructor of Home Economic Wing of the Extension Training Centre."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" இப்பொழுது அமர்த்தப்பட்டிருக்கும் சோஷியல் வொர்க்கர்ஸ் எங்கே அமர்த்தப்பட்டிருக்கிறார்கள் ? அவர்களுக்கு இருக்கக் கூடிய யோக்கியதாம்சங்கள் என்னென்ன ? எந்த அடிப்படையில் அவர்கள் சேர்ந்திருக்கிறார்கள் ?"

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" They had been already serving in the rural areas as officers of the Women's Welfare Department and after looking into the records of those officers, two were selected and one actually joined."

Retrenched personnel of Civil Supplies Department in Malabar.

* 517 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many officers and employees will be affected and thrown out of employment in Malabar as a result of the closing of the Civil Supplies department by the Government; and

(*b*) whether the Government have any plans to employ them in any other Government Service?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) Following the decontrol of rice, 80 employees (all non-gazetted) were thrown out of employment and 45 employees were reverted to their parent departments from the Civil Supplies department in the Malabar district between the 10th July 1954 and the 30th September 1954. There are still four gazetted officers and 281 non-gazetted employees attending to the residual work in the district.

" (b) The question of absorbing the temporary employees of the Civil Supplies department following the abolition of that department, was considered by the Government as eraly as 1952 and for that purpose, two examinations were conducted by the Madras Public Service Commission in February and June 1952. Such of the candidates who came out successful in the examinations were allotted to regular departments without prejudice to their continuance in the Civil Supplies department, so that they might revert to those departments when their services were no longer required in the Civil Supplies department. There is no other proposal before the Government on the subject."

Gratuity to certain workers of Kondotti Beedi Factory, Malabar.

* 518 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representation has been received by the Government from the Beedi Workers' Union, Kondotti, South Malabar, alleging non-implementation of the award of the Industrial Tribunal, Coimbatore, regarding the payment of gratuity for six workers of Kondotti Beedi Factory, who were dismissed; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) Yes, Sir. A petition was received from the Union along with claim petitions from the workers.

" (b) Recovery of the amounts due to five workers as per the award of the Industrial Tribunal, Coimbatore, has been ordered. The case of one more worker was not pressed by the Union before the Industrial Tribunal, Coimbatore."

Industrial Tribunal for plantation workers.

* 519 Q.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Special Tribunal has been appointed to enquire into the service conditions of plantation workers.

(b) when the Tribunal was appointed;